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SUBJ: UNEP PLENARY DISCUSSIONS - ITEM 14, 15 (A) AND (B)

1. THESE AGENDA ITEMS WERE CONCERNED WITH ENVIRONMENT
AND DEVELOPMENT (DOC. GC-76; ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF
IRRATIONAL & WASTEFUL USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES DOC. GC-79
AND ECODEVELOPMENT DOC. GC-80. THE LATTER TWO DOCUMENTS
WERE PREPARED IN RESPONSE TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS.

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THE EXEC DIR PROPOSED THAT ALL OF THESE ITEMS BE DISCUSSED

SIMULTANEOUSLY AS THEY ARE CLOSELY RELATED. THE PREPARATION OF THESE REPORTS WAS NECESSARY SINCE THEY WERE CALLED FOR SEPARATELY. NEARLY ALL COUNTRIES WHICH INTERVENED COMPLAINED THAT VARIOUS SUBJECT AREAS OF INTEREST TO THEM WERE NOT INCLUDED. THEY AGREED WITH THE EXEC DIR'S INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS THAT THE REPORTS WERE PRELIMINARY AND SHOULD BE REDRAFTED AND PRESENTED TO THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL.

2. JAMAICA AND MEXICO PARTICULARLY DWELT ON THE NIEO IN CERDS AS THE EVENTUAL SOLUTION TO ENVIRONMENT DEGRADATION THROUGH RATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

3. BRAZIL PROPOSED THAT THOSE SECTIONS OF THE DOCUMENTS CRITICIZING DDIT FOR NOT INCORPORATING ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS, SHOULD BE DELETED.

4. JAMAICA ALSO PROPOSED THAT A GROUP OF GOVERNMENT EXPERTS SHOULD BE CONVENED TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPING THE FINAL REPORT.

5. WEO'S, FINLAND, SWITZERLAND, FRG, FRANCE AND CANADA ALSO EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION WITH THE REPORTS STATING THAT THERE WAS NOTHING NEW, THAT THERE WERE NO PROPOSALS FOR FUTURE ACTION IN THIS AREA AND SOME OF THE POLITICAL POINTS WERE INCORRECT.

6. BASED ON THE ABOVE COMMENTS, THE EXEC DIR SUMMARIZED BY COMMENTING THAT THE DOCUMENTS ARE DRAFTS AND HAVE SHORTCOMINGS BUT HE REITERATED THAT HE WANTED CONCRETE SUGGESTIONS ON HOW TO PROCEED. HE REQUESTED WRITTEN COMMENTS FROM GOVERNMENTS. AFTER RECEIVING THESE WRITTEN COMMENTS, HE PROPOSED THAT INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORK GROUP WOULD BE ESTABLISHED TO DECIED ON CRITERIA FOR ANALYSIS OF WHAT ARE WASTEFUL AND IRRATIONAL USES OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

7. DISCUSSION CLOSED WITH DECISION TO PROCEED IN THIS FASHION AND SUBMIT THE REPORTS TO GC V.

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